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In re Application of: : Before the Examiner:
 Roger Kenneth Abrams : Truong, Thanhng
 Serial No.: 09/708,397 : Group Art Unit: 2135
 Filed: November 8, 2000 :
 Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR : IBM Corporation
 PREVENTION OF BUFFER OVERFLOW : P.O. Box 12915
 INTRUSIONS : Dept. 9CCA, Bldg. 002
 : Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

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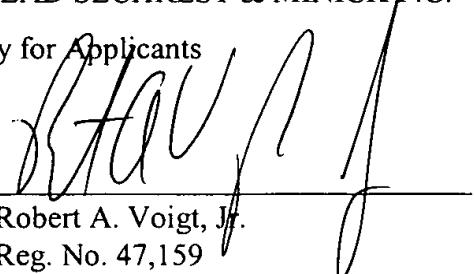
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of January 15, 2004 (Paper No. 5), having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 15, 2004, please reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following remarks:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

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